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Active Projects Report

Research and Demonstrations in Health Care Financing

Theme 8

Building Research Capacity



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Summary: The research budget supports a range of activities to build and improve our health services research capacity, both internally and externally to CMS. The intent of these efforts is to increase the efficiency of our research and demonstration program and meet the broad research needs of CMS and the wider health research community. These activities support two objectives: (1) to sponsor programs to improve the infrastructure of the U.S. health services research system, and (2) to provide tools to facilitate health services research and to support CMS's effective and efficient research program. The programs to improve the infrastructure are directed at developing or enhancing the expertise of researchers outside the Government, and they often also support broader Federal government initiatives. The tools to facilitate health services research are carried out to support CMS's own research operations as well as to provide information that benefits external health care research related to CMS's programs.

Active Projects Report; Reconsideration, Revision, and Production Improvements

Project No: 500-00-0059/02
Project Officer: James Beyer
Period: September 2001 to September 2005
Funding: \$148,544
Principal Investigator: Kenitra Smith
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: IQ Solutions, Inc.
 11300 Rockville Pike, Suite 801
 Rockville, MD 20852

Description: The Office of Research, Development and Information and its predecessor organizations have annually published a report showing research and demonstration projects, both intramural and extramural. The current edition is entitled "Active Projects Report: 2006 Edition". The structure and presentation format of this publication has not been seriously reviewed for over 10 years. This project takes a careful look at the way this information is presented, i.e., the format and content of the publication, to see if a revision will make the information more accessible to users. This is accompanied by the need to improve the capacity for actual production of the annual book. The first draft copy should generate directly from the database that holds the project information. And, the process by which the data on each project is made current needs to be carefully examined and automated to the greatest extent possible. These last two items are directly related to our need to reduce the labor involved in first updating the information and second in the actual production of the book.

Status: The overall presentation of the "Active Projects Report" has been reviewed and compared to other publications. Also, this general review stimulated the idea that perhaps indicative charts should be intermingled with the descriptions of projects. On the detailed layout of the contents, it was determined that the existing two-

column format was the most comfortable for the material. Suggestions were made for some font and page layout changes that should improve readability. This process was nearly complete in late December of 2002 in time to begin detailed programming so that the 2002 version of the "Active Projects Report" could be produced in the new format. After the 2002 publication was produced, the 2003 and 2004 versions followed suit. The new active project report search tool, which is a web-enabled search engine, mirrors the publication's data and has been launched onto CMS's internal web site. This project is also slated to be released onto the internet. ■

Activities Prior to the Construction of State Medicaid Research Files (SMRFs) for 1996-1998

Project No: 500-95-0047/08
Project Officer: David Baugh
Period: September 2000 to August 2005
Funding: \$2,381,124
Principal Investigator: Suzanne Dodds
Award: Task Order
Awardee: Mathematica Policy Research, (DC)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: The purpose of this contract is to have Medicaid eligibility and services claims experts develop business rules to transform Medicaid (and SCHIP) person-level data records from the Medicaid Statistical Information System (MSIS) into records in the Medicaid Analytic eXtract (MAX) system - formerly known as the State Medicaid Research Files (SMRFs). These business rules involve a number of activities related to eligibility, type of service, and combination of MSIS claims to create MAX/SMRF final action service records. This involves reviewing MSIS documentation, developing MSIS to

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MAX/SMRF business rules, possible interaction with State Medicaid agency personnel to gather information, clarify issues and/or devise corrective action strategies. The contractor passes the business rules to another party, known here as the MAX producer, who processes the MSIS files according to the MAX business rules to create the MAX data files. Once the MAX producer develops MAX data, this contractor performs a comprehensive assessment of data quality and validity to assure that the final MAX data are of the highest possible quality. The validation process may involve a number of iterations between the MAX producer, and the contractor until data quality issues are resolved. Upon acceptance of the final MAX data files, the contractor assists the Federal project officer to prepare the data for access by the user community which includes CMS, other HHS components, other Federal and State agencies, foundations, consulting firms, and academic institutions. This includes preparation of explanatory materials on the business rules, data validation reports, data anomaly reports and limited technical consultation on data issues. Interested parties may obtain additional information at the CMS MAX web site: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/researchers/max>.

Status: The contractor has completed work on SMRF data for 1996-98 and MAX data for 1999 and 2000. Work is currently under way for the development of MAX data for 2001. It is anticipated that MAX 2001 data will be available to the user community by Summer 2005. MAX 2002 data should be available by the end of 2005 or early in 2006. ■

ADP Services Supporting Research and Demonstration Activities -- Research Management Technologies, Inc.

Project No: HHSM-500-2004-00092P
Project Officer: William Long
Period: July 2004 to July 2005
Funding: \$5,000
Principal Investigator: Cliff Bailey
Award: Simplified Acquisition
Awardee: Research/Management Technologies, Inc.
 1312 Vincent Place
 McClean, VA 22101-3614

Description: The goal of this project is to provide statistical support for Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey and other Information and Methods Group activities.

Status: The project is currently active. ■

ADP Services Supporting Research, Analysis and Demonstration Activities--Base Contract

Project No: 500-02-0006
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2002 to September 2007
Funding: \$0
Principal Investigator: Celia H. Dahlman
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: CHD Research Associates
 5515 Twin Knolls Road #322
 Columbia, MD 21045

Description: CMS's research, analytic, and demonstration projects require computer and related support services to access, manipulate, process, and develop data and files. The data files include those derived from the Medicare and Medicaid Programs, as well as those from CMS contracts and grants, or from other sources. Current and anticipated internal resources are insufficient to handle the range and quantity of requirements that arise from these project and from projects that will occur in the future.

Status: The grant was awarded September 30, 2002. There are two task orders under this contract. Individual Task Orders are described separately. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - Acumen

Project No: 500-01-0031
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Thomas MaCurdy
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Acumen, LLC
 1415 Rollins Rd
 Burlingame, CA 94010

Description: This is the base award for an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. These projects involve a wide range of general analysis of data activities relating to Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, children's health insurance, low income, and uninsured programs; financing and delivery of health services or quality; and appropriateness of health services and various other associated topics. Tasks include the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects;

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acquiring and analyzing data; assisting in providing technical assistance or training; pilot testing; framing and designing a project; convening technical expert groups or panels; developing options or issue papers with interim and final reports; conducting actuarial, statistical, and other analyses; preparing administrative clearance packages; meeting with government and non-government groups; abstracting records and other claims/forms; and making presentations when necessary; preparing papers and articles; disseminating findings; literature reviews; etc.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. As of December 31, 2004, no task orders have been awarded. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - Ansys

Project No: 500-01-0037
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Joshua Park
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: ANASYS
 10450 Shaker Drive, Suite 113
 Columbia, MD 21046

Description: This is the base contract under which task orders can be awarded for a wide range of general analysis of data activities. These projects will relate to: Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, Children's Health Insurance, and related programs; financing and delivery of health services; quality and appropriateness of health services; or various other associated topics. The contractor can be required to perform tasks involving the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects. The contractor must have, or must be able to acquire, the resources and expertise to perform these functions on an almost immediate basis.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, there are no Task Orders awarded. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - Econometrica

Project No: 500-01-0039
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Cyrus Baghelai
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Econometrica, Inc.
 4401 East-West Hwy, Suite 303
 Bethesda, MD 20814

Description: This is the base award for an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. These projects involve a wide range of general analysis of data activities relating to Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, children's health insurance, low income, and uninsured programs; financing and delivery of health services or quality; and appropriateness of health services and various other associated topics. Tasks include the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects; acquiring and analyzing data; assisting in providing technical assistance or training; pilot testing; framing and designing a project; convening technical expert groups or panels; developing options or issue papers with interim and final reports; conducting actuarial, statistical, and other analyses; preparing administrative clearance packages; meeting with government and non-government groups; abstracting records and other claims/forms; and making presentations when necessary; preparing papers and articles; disseminating findings; literature reviews; etc.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, no tasks have been awarded. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - JEN

Project No: 500-01-0035
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Dan Gilden
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: JEN Associates, Inc.
 P.O. Box 39020
 Cambridge, MA 02139

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Description: This is the base contract under which task orders can be awarded for a wide range of general analysis of data activities. These projects will relate to: Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, Children's Health Insurance, and related programs; financing and delivery of health services; quality and appropriateness of health services; and various other associated topics. The contractor can be required to perform tasks involving the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects. The contractor must have, or must be able to acquire, the resources and expertise to perform these functions on an almost immediate basis.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, there is one task order awarded to date. Individual task orders are defined separately. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - Jing Xing

Project No: 500-01-0040
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Steward Wong
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Jing Xing Technologies
 PO Box 6655, 1312 Vincent Place
 McLean, VA 22106-6655

Description: This is the base award for an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. These projects involve a wide range of general analysis of data activities relating to Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, children's health insurance, low income, and uninsured programs; financing and delivery of health services or quality; and appropriateness of health services and various other associated topics. Tasks include the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects; acquiring and analyzing data; assisting in providing technical assistance or training; pilot testing; framing and designing a project; convening technical expert groups or panels; developing options or issue papers with interim and final reports; conducting actuarial, statistical, and other analyses; preparing administrative clearance packages; meeting with government and non-government groups; abstracting records and other claims/forms; and making presentations when necessary; preparing papers

and articles; disseminating findings; literature reviews; etc.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, there are no task orders awarded. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - Klemm

Project No: 500-01-0038
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Bebecca Klemm
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Klemm Analysis Group, Inc.
 1725 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Suite 501
 Washington, DC 20036-2104

Description: This is the base contract under which task orders can be awarded for a wide range of general analysis of data activities. These projects will relate to: Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, Children's Health Insurance, and related programs; financing and delivery of health services; or quality and appropriateness of health services and various other associated topics. The contractor can be required to perform tasks involving the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects. The contractor must have, or must be able to acquire, the resources and expertise to perform these functions on an almost immediate basis.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, there are no task orders awarded. ■

Studying Migrant and Seasonal Farm Workers

Project No: 25-P-91468/05
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2001 to September 2004
Funding: \$246,400
Principal Investigator: Rene Perez Rosenbaum
Award: Grant
Awardee: Michigan State University
 112 Paolucci Bldg
 East Lansing, MI 48824-1110

Description: This 2-year cross-sectional pilot study among migrant and seasonal farm workers will provide data and information on sociodemographics, housing conditions, work conditions, self-reported and doctor-reported health conditions, health services needs, and utilization. This research study will utilize a needs assessment strategy (500 subjects) to: (1) produce a comprehensive profile of the medical health needs of migrant and seasonal farm workers in Northern Michigan; (2) identify the types of services required and general practice among migrant and seasonal farm workers in Northern Michigan; and (3) determine the association between the health needs of farm workers, types of services required, and health services utilization rates in the population.

Status: The project was awarded under CMS's Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program. The project is completed. ■

Support for Research and Analytic Activities - IQSolutions

Project No: 500-00-0059
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2004
Funding: \$0
Principal Investigator: Ileana Quintas
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: IQ Solutions, Inc.
 11300 Rockville Pike, Suite 801
 Rockville, MD 20852

Description: This project provides support for CMS's research and analytic program. Specifically, it will support project design and operation, dissemination and distribution of results, and data-related activities. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years. **Status:** This is the base task order

contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. Tasks awarded to date are: (TO#1) Support for Research and Analytic Activities; (TO#2) Active Projects Report: Reconsideration, Revision, and Production Improvements; (TO#3) Research and Demonstration Projects Searchable Database; Stage Two Improvement, Enhancements, and Implementation; (TO#4) Convert CMS Research Results to Consistent Standardized Architecture to Support Web-Based Dissemination. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Violence Prevention as a Public Health Strategy to Reducing Health Care Costs Associated with Medicaid

Project No: 20-P-91761/03-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2002 to April 2005
Funding: \$238,536
Principal Investigator: Michael Mbanaso
Award: Grant
Awardee: Howard University Office of Research Administration
 2400 6th Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20059

Description: The purpose of this study is to ascertain the potential benefit of applying violence prevention as a public health strategy toward reducing health care costs associated with Medicaid expenditures for gun violence-related injuries. Specifically, the researcher will investigate the effects of violence prevention measures on health outcomes among African-Americans in urban centers. Four major objectives are to: (1) analyze gun-related violence and trends in three urban study sites of Washington, D.C.; Baltimore, MD.; and New York City; (2) analyze rates of gun-related violence (fatal and non-fatal) among African-American youths within the selected study sites; (3) analyze health care and Medicaid costs associated with those gun-related injuries; and (4) develop a model program intervention strategy for violence prevention.

Status: This project, provided under the HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program, is in progress. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - RTI

Project No: 500-00-0022
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Dan Enichen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Research Triangle Institute, (NC) PO Box 12194, 3040 Cornwallis Road Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2194

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery - Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [Indefinite Delivery - Indefinite Quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are two tasks awarded as of December 31, 2004. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - UI

Project No: 500-00-0023
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Steven Zuckerman
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Urban Institute 2100 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20037

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or

urgent policy issues. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Strategies to Improve Prostate Cancer Screening Rates Among African-American Men in the Baltimore Metro Area

Project No: 20-P-91448/03
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2001 to March 2004
Funding: \$239,101
Principal Investigator: Ivis Forrester-Anderson
Award: Grant
Awardee: Morgan State University 1700 E. Coldspring Lane Baltimore, MD 21251-0001

Description: The overall goal of the project is to increase the number of African-American men, forty (40) years of age or over, who participate in routine screening for prostate cancer each year. The objectives are: (1) to determine through focus groups, barriers and enablers to routine screening for prostate cancer among African-American men in the Baltimore Metro Area, (2) to increase the knowledge of African-American men about prostate health and prostate cancer, through a health education program, as measured by a pre and post-test, and (3) to change the behavior of African-American men relative to routine screening for prostate cancer, by increasing the number who participate in regular screening.

The project will be conducted in two phases in three counties in the Baltimore metropolitan area. In Phase I qualitative data will be collected on barriers and enablers to prostate cancer screening from participants in 10 focus groups conducted in three targeted counties. In Phase II the planning and implementation of an education intervention program will utilize the train-the-trainer model.

Status: This project, begun under the HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program, is now completed. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - McDonald

Project No: 500-01-0034
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Walter McDonald
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Walter R. McDonald & Associates, Inc. 7311 Greenhaven Dr, Suite 273 Sacramento, CA 95831

Description: This is the base contract under which task orders can be awarded for a wide range of general analysis of data activities. These projects will relate to: Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, Children's Health Insurance, and related programs; financing and delivery of health services; quality and appropriateness of health services; and various other associated topics. The contractor can be required to perform tasks involving the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects. The contractor must have, or must be able to acquire, the resources and expertise to perform these functions on an almost immediate basis.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, there are no task orders awarded. ■

Analysis of Large Data Sets Task Order Contract - QRS

Project No: 500-01-0036
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Alfred Meltzer
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Quality Resources Systems 11350 Random Hills Rd, Suite 100 Fairfax, VA 22030-6044

Description: This is the base contract under which task orders can be awarded for a wide range of general analysis of data activities. These projects will relate to: Medicare, Medicaid, Managed Care, Long Term Care, Children's Health Insurance, and related programs; financing and delivery of health services; quality and

appropriateness of health services; and various other associated topics. The contractor can be required to perform tasks involving the analysis of data to assist health care financing research studies or projects. The contractor must have, or must be able to acquire, the resources and expertise to perform these functions on an almost immediate basis.

Status: This is the base contract on which subsequent task orders are awarded. It remains active as long as any single task is underway. As of December 31, 2004, there are no task orders. ■

Assessing Colorectal Cancer Knowledge and Improving Screening Rates Among Older Minorities in the City of Newark

Project No: 25-P-92358/02-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2004 to September 2006
Funding: \$117,640
Principal Investigator: Ana Natale-Pereira
Award: Grant
Awardee: UMDNJ New Jersey Medical School 150 Bergen Street Newark, NJ 07101

Description: Despite access to health care, screening for Colorectal Cancer remains low, particularly among Hispanics, due to several factors. Of those, lack of knowledge about the disease and screening recommendations by health care providers are significant barriers to screening. Other factors such as low literacy, socioeconomic status, and limited English proficiency have been linked to poor cancer outcomes. This educational intervention study will: (1) assess CRC knowledge among the older minority population and community leaders of Newark, (2) develop a comprehensive CRC education module to educate community leaders using the educational sessions of workshops model; and (3) train the community leaders to use the CRC educational module as a tool to facilitate the dissemination of CRC information, enhance awareness and education, and increase screening rates.

Status: This new project under the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program is in progress. ■

Cancer Prevention for Post-Reproductive Age Women Along the U.S. Mexico Border

Project No: 25-P-91768/09-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2002 to March 2005
Funding: \$244,371
Principal Investigator: Francisco A.R. Garcia
Award: Grant
Awardee: University of Arizona, Arizona Board of Regents
 888 North Euclid, No.A510 Tucson, AZ 85721

Description: The applicant is developing and assessing the effectiveness of an educational intervention on the utilization of cancer screening services and cancer awareness among older, poor Hispanic women. The aims of the study are to:

(1) assess the effectiveness of a group education community health worker intervention with regard to increased awareness and knowledge of breast and cervical cancer, as well as utilization of breast and cervical cancer screening services; (2) determine the proportion of women who comply with annual follow-up screening recommendations for breast and cervical cancer based on self-report and review of medical records; (3) describe the determinants of regular cancer screening behavior, including monthly self breast examination and annual clinical breast examination, mammography, and cervical cytology (pap smears); and (4) determine the prevalence of pre-malignant cervical disease (e.g., HPV infection and abnormal cytology), and breast abnormalities at follow up of initial screening examination.

Status: The project was awarded under CMS's Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program and is in progress. ■

Church-Based Educational Intervention Program on Prostate Cancer Screening for African-American Males, A

Project No: 20-P-91879/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2003 to September 2005
Funding: \$249,991
Principal Investigator: Baqar Husaini
Award: Grant

Awardee: Tennessee State University
 3500 John Merritt Boulevard
 Nashville, TN 37209-1561

Description: This project proposes to develop and test the effectiveness of a church-based prostate cancer education program for 400 African-American men randomly selected from 40 African-American churches in Nashville, Tennessee. The project addresses two issues: (1) the racial disparities in the prevalence and mortality rates of prostate cancer, and (2) the lack of prostate cancer intervention programs for African-American men who are at higher risk for this disease. The purpose of the intervention is to increase cancer knowledge and screenings among African-American males, and to determine barriers to screening.

Status: This project, provided under the HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program, is in progress (second year). ■

Convert CMS Research Results to Consistent Standardized Architecture to Support Web-Based Dissemination (with two Options)

Project No: 500-00-0059/04
Project Officer: James Beyer
Period: September 2002 to September 2005
Funding: \$50,839
Principal Investigator: Kenitra Smith
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: IQ Solutions, Inc.
 11300 Rockville Pike, Suite 801
 Rockville, MD 20852

Description: This project provides review, assessment, and planning activities that support CMS in building a web-based capacity to disseminate the findings of our research and information. Some preparatory work which makes this possible has already been done for some of our products, e.g., the Health Care Financing Review, and moving the database on research and demonstration projects to a web-based application.

Status: The conversion of the statistical publications in XML format and then into electronic publishing is in the development stage. The awardee is researching the validity of the tables that are included in our Statistical Supplement publication so they can give us a report on what part of the publication should be converted into XML. ■

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of 4-option years.

Status: There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - C.N.A.

Project No: 500-00-0019
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Robert Murray
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: C.N.A. Corporation
 4825 Mark Center Drive
 Alexandria, VA 22311-1850

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: There is one task awarded to date. Task Orders are described individually. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - Medstat

Project No: 500-00-0021
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Claude Bowen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base

Awardee: MEDSTAT Group (DC - Maryland Ave.)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are two active task orders to date. Individual task orders are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - MPR

Project No: 500-00-0020
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Sue Felt-Lisk
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Mathematica Policy Research, (Princeton)
 600 Alexander Park, PO Box 2393
 Princeton, NJ 08543-2393

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - Abt

Project No: 500-00-0015
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: David Kidder
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Abt Associates, Inc.
 55 Wheeler Street
 Cambridge, MA 02138-1168

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There have been two tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - ARC

Project No: 500-00-0016
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$0
Principal Investigator: Gordon Trapnell
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Actuarial Research Corporation
 6928 Little River Turnpike, Suite E
 Annandale, VA 22003

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There has been one task awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - Barents (Bearing Point)

Project No: 500-00-0017
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Keith Cherry
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Bearing Point
 1676 International Drive
 McLean, VA 22102-4828

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this policy analysis specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the analysis of policy questions, often within short timeframes, to provide the Government with information and options to guide decisions related to important or urgent policy issues. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. One task has been awarded to date. Task orders are described individually. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Policy Analysis - Brandeis

Project No: 500-00-0018
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Christopher Tompkins
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Brandeis University, Heller Graduate School, Institute for Health Policy
 415 South Street, P.O. Box 9110
 Waltham, MA 02254-9110

Development of a Software Program to Support CMS's Consumer Experience Survey (CES)-- Home Care Survey Tool

Project No: 500-00-0050/01
Project Officer: Suzanne Bosstick
Period: September 2002 to April 2004
Funding: \$149,933

Principal Investigator: Beth Jackson
Award: Task Order (RADSTO)

Awardee: MEDSTAT Group (DC - Maryland Ave.)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: The purpose of this contract is the development of a computer software program to support and facilitate the use of CMS's Consumer Experience Survey (CES). The software program will facilitate the electronic collection and analysis of person-specific survey information, thus reducing the burden of conducting and analyzing the survey information. The potential users of both the CES and the software program include the State Medicaid agencies, other State agencies that provide Medicaid home and community-based services and supports to persons with chronic illness and disability, and provider organizations that likewise serve Medicaid beneficiaries.

Status: The contractor completed the project and CMS disseminated the final product at the Systems Change Conference in March 2004. CMS also announced the availability of the software to States in a Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group Quality Letter in May 2004. (Note: The survey/software was renamed the Participant (replacing "consumer") Experience Survey.) ■

Diabetes: Factors Influencing Self-Care Among African-Americans in Rural and Urban Populations

Project No: 20-P-91430/03
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2001 to September 2004
Funding: \$241,640

Principal Investigator: Connie Webster
Award: Grant

Awardee: University of the District of Columbia
 4200 Connecticut Avenue, NW
 Washington, DC 20008

Description: The purpose of this project is to identify, assess, and evaluate knowledge about diabetes prevention, self care (compliance), and focus of control behaviors among a population of urban and rural African-Americans, age 45 or over, living in Baltimore, MD, the District of Columbia, and Petersburg, VA. Individuals will be recruited from free clinics, practitioners, senior citizens centers, and faith-based organizations. The multi-phase project will identify at-risk diabetics (diabetics with self-care deficits), and initiate specific sensitive interventions to decrease risk factors associated with diabetes complications and to improve self-care. The aim of the project is to identify high-risk, type-2 diabetics, develop intervention strategies that are culturally sensitive, and provide an educational curriculum (regarding diabetes and self-care behavior) that recognized the impact of culture in disease management. These interventions will target three areas: health promotion, outreach, and diabetes care.

Status: HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program - Four historically black colleges and universities collaborate on this project: The University of the District of Columbia, Morgan State University, Coppin State College, and Virginia State University. This project is complete. ■

Econometric Forecasting and Economic Services - II

Project No: 500-01-0010
Project Officer: Shannon Martin
Period: April 2001 to April 2006
Funding: \$422,000

Principal Investigator: Laura Hodges
Award: Contract
Awardee: Global Insight Incorporated
 1850 M Street NW, Suite 1100
 Washington, DC 20036

Description: This project is a multi-year project and provides econometric forecasting and other economic services to CMS. It also provides for forecasts and maintenance of CMS input price indexes for use in updating payments in the various prospective payment systems. The project also allows for various other economic studies and analyses concerning healthcare-related, and input price index issues including health

sector compensation trends, and analysis of malpractice liability premium growth.

Status: This contract continues year-to-year since it provides basic support for our actuarial estimates used in operating the Medicare Program. For FY2003, the contractor completed an update of actual malpractice premium growth for 2002 and 2003. The contractor has also constructed forecasts of CMS's input price indexes on a quarterly basis and has provided assistance with OACT work on the President's Budget and Trustees Report. Also in FY2003, the contractor assisted OACT staff with the development of an input price index for End Stage Renal Disease and in rebasing the Medicare Economic Index for incorporation into the 2004 Physician Fee Schedule update. Finally, in 2004, the contractor assisted OACT staff in the rebasing of the hospital market baskets. ■

Effectiveness of Insuring Uninsured Latino Children Using Community-Based Case-Managers: A Randomized Trial, The

Project No: 25-P-91458/01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2001 to June 2004
Funding: \$250,000
Principal Investigator: Glenn Flores
Award: Grant
Awardee: Boston Medical Center Corporation
 One Boston Medical Center Place
 Boston, MA 02118

Description: The specific aim of this research is to conduct a randomized trial to evaluate whether community-based case managers are more effective than traditional methods in insuring uninsured children. Based on this aim, the project will examine or test four hypotheses: (1) A significantly higher proportion of uninsured children randomized to a community-based case manager will obtain health insurance; (2) the mean duration of time in obtaining health insurance coverage will be significantly shorter for uninsured children with a community-based case manager compared with those obtaining insurance through traditional methods; (3) a significantly greater proportion of uninsured children who obtain health insurance through community-based case managers will continuously be insured over a 1-year period compared with uninsured children who obtain insurance through traditional methods; and (4) parental satisfaction (or patient satisfaction, in the case of adolescents living in shelters/group homes) with the

process of obtaining health insurance will be significantly higher among uninsured children randomized to community-based case managers compared with those randomized to traditional methods of obtaining insurance.

Status: This project was awarded under CMS's Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program and is now complete. ■

Evaluating Health System Performance: Access and Quality of Care for Acute Cardiac Events in the Rural Medicare Population

Project No: 30-P-91715/05-01
Project Officer: Eric Katz
Period: February 2002 to June 2004
Funding: \$30,240
Principal Investigator: Cathy Jaynes
Award: Grant
Awardee: Ohio State University Research Foundation
 1960 Kenny Rd
 Columbus, OH 43210

Description: This descriptive cross-sectional study will utilize data from the Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey to examine current practice of treating the rural elderly diagnosed with acute myocardial infarction (AMI). The study will compare the characteristics of those who receive their treatment for AMI at a hospital that performs a high volume of interventional cardiac procedures with those who receive treatment in low volume hospitals. Claims data will be used to construct a chain of events surrounding a critical cardiac diagnosis. Data from the Provider of Services database will describe the volume of cardiac interventions accomplished at treating hospitals. The Behavioral Model of Healthcare Utilization provides the structure for the study--namely, an examination of present practices to determine the extent to which perceived or evaluated need rather than predisposing characteristics of enabling resources determines access to health care services.

Status: CMS research support for this doctoral dissertation is completed. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations - Medstat

Project No: 500-00-0034
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Claude Bowen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: MEDSTAT Group (DC - Maryland Ave.)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of 4-option years.

Status: There are two tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations - Rand

Project No: 500-00-0027
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Don Enichen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: RAND Corporation
 1700 Main Street, P.O. Box 2138
 Santa Monica, CA 90407-2138

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a

range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of 4-option years.

Status: There are two tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations - URREA

Project No: 500-00-0028
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Philip Held
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: University Renal Research and Education Association
 315 West Huron, Suite 260
 Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are three task orders awarded to date. Individual task orders are defined separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations - Abt

Project No: 500-00-0032
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: David Kidder
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Abt Associates, Inc.
 55 Wheeler Street
 Cambridge, MA 02138-1168

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are a total of twelve tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations - Brandeis

Project No: 500-00-0031
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Christopher Tompkins
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Brandeis University, Heller Graduate School, Institute for Health Policy
 415 South Street, P.O. Box 9110
 Waltham, MA 02254-9110

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity task order contract. Under

this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract awarded in September 2000. There are a total of four task orders awarded as of December 31, 2004. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations - C.N.A.

Project No: 500-00-0035
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Robert Murray
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: C.N.A. Corporation
 4825 Mark Center Drive
 Alexandria, VA 22311-1850

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health programs, the financing and delivery of health services, or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are two tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

HBCU: Colorectal Cancer Screening

Project No: 20-P-92383/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2004 to September 2006
Funding: \$125,000
Principal Investigator: Annie Wells
Award: Grant
Awardee: Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University
 P.O. Box 411
 Normal, AL 35762

Description: The purpose of this study is to identify and establish effective intervention strategies that will result in changes in attitudes and behaviors involving the utilization of health care services by a population that is at high risk for colorectal cancer. The study will provide effective training and psychologically-based educational activities to promote screening and early detection for colorectal cancer in African American men and women. The objectives are to: (1) deliver an education intervention about the incidence and mortality rates and other factors responsible for the racial/ethnic disparity of colorectal cancer, (2) increase the knowledge about colorectal cancer, (3) strengthen positive attitudes toward the health care system and medical professionals, (4) increase the number of participants receiving colorectal screening, and (5) reduce personal/psychological barriers limiting access to the health care system for colorectal cancer screening.

Status: HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program - New Project ■

HISP: Education Intervention with HIV patients

Project No: 25-P-92351/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2004 to September 2006
Funding: \$124,745
Principal Investigator: Jose Castro
Award: Grant
Awardee: University of Miami School of Medicine
 1800 NW 10th Ave.
 Miami, FL 33136

Description: This project is a collaborative effort of the University of Miami School of Medicine's AIDS Clinical Research Unit (ACRU), the Miami Drug Abuse & AIDS

Research Center, and the Jackson Memorial Hospital HIV/AIDS Clinical Program.

The purpose of this project is to implement and evaluate the effectiveness of culturally sensitive, structured educational sessions for Hispanic American HIV-infected patients seen in the outpatient setting using a two-group randomized design. This randomized intervention study will seek to determine whether or not structured educational sessions improve outcomes of HIV infected patients.

The sessions will be conducted in the primary language of the participants and will be given by an educator who is fluent or native of that language. The session will be interactive and will include the following: (1) HIV Care Basics, (2) HIV Treatments, and (3) Antiretroviral Therapy Basics.

Status: This new project, awarded under the Hispanic Health Services Research Program, is in progress. ■

HIV Prevention Intervention for Homeless Mentally Ill African-American Adult Males, An

Project No: 20-P-91751/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2002 to January 2005
Funding: \$205,809
Principal Investigator: J. Gary Linn
Award: Grant
Awardee: Tennessee State University School of Nursing
 3500 John Merritt Boulevard
 Nashville, TN 37209-1561

Description: The purpose of this collaborative project is to test an intervention to reduce sexual risk behavior in an impaired population (i.e., Homeless African-American men with mental illness) from Middle Tennessee with a high prevalence of HIV infection. The main aim is to assess the effectiveness of an intervention protocol, SEXG (which involves a method proven to be effective in New York City involving sex, games, and videotapes), in changing the sexual practices of sexually active African-American men with a mental illness. These men are more likely to be at risk for sexual contraction or transmission of HIV.

Status: This project, awarded under the HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program, was completed. ■

Implementing Culturally and Linguistically Competent Assessment and Training for Providers Serving Latinos on Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP

Project No: 25-P-91772/08-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2002 to March 2005
Funding: \$208,129
Principal Investigator: Polly Baca
Award: Grant
Awardee: Latin American Research and Service Agency
 309 W. 1st Avenue
 Denver, CO 80223

Description: The purpose of the project is to assess and develop the capacity of health care providers at two Denver metropolitan area health maintenance organizations (HMOs) to deliver culturally and linguistically competent care to Latino patients. The study is forming Latino provider networks to develop culturally and linguistically competent resources to build this capacity. The aim of the project addresses the mission of CMS for providing culturally and linguistically competent care to Latino patients using Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP. Two major objectives of the study are to: (1) identify the cultural and linguistic knowledge, attitudes, and practices of 100 providers using a provider self-assessment survey; and (2) establish a network of Latino case providers representative of their organizations providing consultation in the development of cultural and linguistic competency training resources.

Status: This project was awarded under the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program and is in progress. ■

Improving Prostate Cancer Screening Rates Among African-American Men in Rural Black Belt Counties in Alabama: An Education Intervention Program

Project No: 20-P-92379/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2004 to September 2006
Funding: \$125,000
Principal Investigator: Vivian Carter
Award: Grant

Awardee: Tuskegee University
 College of Veterinary Medicine
 Nursing and Allied Health Kresge Center
 Tuskegee, AS 36088

Description: The purpose of the study is to develop and evaluate the effectiveness of a prostate cancer education program on prostate screening rates among African-American men aged 40 and over in the rural settings of two Alabama "Black Belt" counties (Macon and Bullock). Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in these communities. The objectives are to: (1) Determine through focus groups barriers to routine screening for prostate cancer among African American men in the Macon and Bullock County Areas; (2) Increase the knowledge of African-American men and women about prostate cancer, through a health education program, as measured by pre-and-post tests; (3) Increase the number of African-American men who participate in regular prostate cancer screening; (4) Develop prostate cancer screening follow-up activities to determine the number and percentage of men that engage in prostate screening after the education intervention.

Status: This new project under the HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program is in progress. ■

Increasing Mammography Screening Among African-American Females in Rural Areas: An Educational Intervention Program

Project No: 20-P-91423/04
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2001 to May 2004
Funding: \$222,593
Principal Investigator: Mary Edith Powell
Award: Grant
Awardee: Tuskegee University
 College of Veterinary Medicine
 Nursing and Allied Health Kresge Center
 Tuskegee, AS 36088

Description: The goal of the project is to increase mammography screening among African-American females. The objectives are to (1) evaluate the effectiveness of breast cancer screening education program on mammography rates among African-American females age 40 and over living in rural communities, (2) increase breast self-examination and mammography rates among African-American females

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - RTI

Project No: 500-00-0030
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Janet Mitchell
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Research Triangle Institute, (MA)
 411 Waverley Oaks Road, Suite 330
 Waltham, MA 02452-8414

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services, or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract awarded in September 2000. There are four tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - Urban

Project No: 500-00-0025
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$0
Principal Investigator: Steven Zuckerman
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Urban Institute
 2100 M Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20037

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to

the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: There are four tasks awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - Wisconsin

Project No: 500-00-0029
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Sarita Karon, Ph.D.
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: University of Wisconsin - Madison
 750 University Avenue
 Madison, WI 53706

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - CHPR

Project No: 500-00-0026
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Robert Schlenker
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Center for Health Services Research, University of Colorado
 1355 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite 706
 Denver, CO 80222

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are a total of two task orders awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - MPR

Project No: 500-00-0033
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Randall S. Brown, Ph.D.
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Mathematica Policy Research, (Princeton)
 600 Alexander Park, PO Box 2393
 Princeton, NJ 08543-2393

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity task order contract. Under

this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of 4-option years.

Status: There are a total of six (6) task orders awarded. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - RTI

Project No: 500-00-0024
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$0
Principal Investigator: Dan Enichen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Research Triangle Institute, (NC)
 PO Box 12194, 3040 Cornwallis Road
 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2194

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of 4-option years.

Status: There are currently a total of 20 task orders awarded. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

age 40 and over living in rural areas of Alabama, (3) evaluate whether the project has more or less of an impact among women who have a family history of breast cancer, and (4) compare the results of a rural education intervention project with the same project previously delivered in an urban setting. The project is being implemented in two counties in the Tuskegee, Alabama area: Macon and Greene. The population of these counties is predominantly African-American, 86 percent and 81 percent respectively. The educational level is low, with approximately 50 percent having earned a high school diploma. In addition, the only hospital is the Veterans Medical Center and residents must travel up to 30 miles to receive secondary care. Poverty levels are high, there is a significant vulnerable population and many residents are uninsured and receiving public assistance.

Status: Collaborations have been formed with the Ministerial Alliance of Black Churches, which will host the project. The Office of Minority Health in the Alabama State Department of Health, and the Cancer Prevention Program will provide free mammograms. Tuskegee University National Center for Bioethics and Research in Health Care will provide administrative support and guidance.

The project is completed. ■

International Comparative Data and Analysis of Health Care Financing and Delivery Systems - II

Project No: 500-00-0010
Project Officer: David Skellan
Period: August 2000 to August 2005
Funding: \$1,925,319
Principal Investigator: Manfred Huber
Award: Contract
Awardee: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
 2, Rue Andre-Pascal
 75775 Paris Cedex 16, France,

Description: The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) has developed a unique database that contains information on health care financing and use in industrialized Western nations. This project obtains these data on an ongoing basis, updates and expands them, and provides a series of papers that analyze the trends in Western-developed nations and their policy relevance to the United States. These data are the source of statistics comparing health spending (usually expressed as a percentage of gross domestic product, or in U.S. dollars per capita) in the United States and other Western developed nations.

Status: The annual publication, OECD Health Data 2004, the most comprehensive source of comparable statistics on health and health systems across the 30 member countries of the OECD (including the United States), was released in June 2004. Core indicators, such as health expenditures, are now available up to 2002. OECD will provide the updated database on an annual basis, in addition to the analytical papers, as approved under the contract budget. ■

Issues, Options, Prototypes, and Metadata Standards for a New Version of the Denominator File

Project No: 500-96-0516/12
Project Officer: David Gibson
Period: September 2000 to August 2004
Funding: \$59,987
Principal Investigator: Celia H. Dahlman
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: CHD Research Associates
 5515 Twin Knolls Road #322
 Columbia, MD 21045

Description: This project supports the design of a new version of the Denominator file through ascertaining and documenting the problems and issues with and assessing the options and opportunities for enhancing the file. Since the Denominator file was initially designed in Spring 1990, it has proven to be an elegantly straightforward, popular means to access basic entitlement, enrollment, and demographic information for Medicare beneficiaries. Many changes have been made to the systems from which the file is constructed and a number of lessons have been learned from the analysts and researchers who have used the file. This effort also provides an opportunity to consider emerging metadata standards, particularly the statistical metadata standards being developed by government statistical agencies. Developing a new version of the file will not only help maintain the file as a unique resource for years to come but provide the opportunity to enhance it as well. Users for whom the cost of accessing and using the new version may outweigh the benefits of the enhancements can continue to access the current version.

Status: The contractor has met with the programmer that creates the file to document the sources and processes for creating the output file. They have taken an initial try at documenting the process and have submitted a draft of questions to ask of the denominatory file user community. ■

Latino Health Care Collaborative (LHCC): A Community-Based Assessment of Hispanic Health in the District of Columbia

Project No: 25-P-91914/03-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2003 to
 September 2005
Funding: \$250,000
Principal Investigator: Kristin Jerger, MD
Award: Grant
Awardee: Council of Latino Agencies
 2437 15th St., NW
 Washington, DC 20009

Description: The Council of Latino Agencies (CLA) in collaboration with three community-based health clinics (La Clinica del Pueblo, Mary's Center for Maternal and Child Care, and Andromeda) is implementing this project. The study has three objectives: (1) obtain reliable baseline data on health status and health disparities experienced by the Hispanic community in D.C.; (2) design and conduct an education intervention to improve health related attitudes, knowledge, and practices toward self and family among Hispanic residents; and (3) evaluate the impact of this project in the Hispanic community. LHCC will focus on assessing the health of a representative sample of the 45,000-55,000 Hispanic residents in the District of Columbia by collecting baseline data about health disparities among Hispanic residents.

Status: This project is in progress under the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program. ■

Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey - III

Project No: 500-99-0001
Project Officer: Frank Eppig
Period: October 2003 to
 February 2004
Funding: \$5,430,884
Principal Investigator: Richard Apodaca
Award: Contract
Awardee: Westat Corporation
 1650 Research Boulevard
 Rockville, MD 20850

Description: The Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS) is a continuous, multipurpose survey of a representative sample of the Medicare population designed to aid CMS' administration, monitoring, and evaluation of the Medicare Program. The survey is focused on health care use, cost, and sources of payment. Data from the MCBS will enable CMS to:

- Determine sources of payment for all medical services used by Medicare beneficiaries, including copayments, deductibles, and noncovered services.

- Develop reliable and current information on the use and cost of services not covered by Medicare (e.g., prescription drugs and long-term care).

- Ascertain all types of health-insurance coverage and relate coverage to sources of payment.

- Monitor the financial effects of changes in the Medicare Program.

Additionally, the MCBS is the only source of multidimensional person-based information about the characteristics of the Medicare population and their access to and satisfaction with Medicare services.

Status: This project is completed. The MCBS has been in the field continuously since the fall of 1991. It is currently in its 38th round of interviewing. To date, public use data files are available for 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002. ■

Medicare Health Maintenance Organizations Withdrawals and Modifications

Project No: 30-P-91703/05-01
Project Officer: Eric Katz
Period: February 2002 to
 January 2005
Funding: \$32,400
Principal Investigator: Rachel Halpern
Award: Grant
Awardee: University of Minnesota, School of
 Public Health
 420 Delaware Street, SE
 Minneapolis, MN 55455-0392

Description: The objective of the proposed research study is to model the decision processes of health maintenance organizations (HMOs) that offer Medicare+Choice (M+C) plans and to identify the factors associated with the HMO's decisions regarding their M+C plans for the following contract year. Specifically, the purpose of this study is to identify the factors associated with the following HMO decisions: 1) whether or not to renew the M+C contract in a geographic area; 2) whether or not to reduce the number of counties defined by the M+C contract; 3) whether or not to change the level of supplemental benefits, change the premium, or both; and 4) whether or not to change the configuration of M+C plans offered. HMO decisions will be modeled for 1999-2000 and 2000-2001. The analysis

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations - RTI

Project No: 500-00-0044
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to
 September 2005
Funding: \$1,000

Principal Investigator: Don Enichen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Research Triangle Institute, (NC)
 PO Box 12194, 3040 Cornwallis
 Road
 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-
 2194

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are four tasks awarded on this contract as of December 31, 2004. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - ARC

Project No: 500-00-0036
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to
 September 2005
Funding: \$1,000

Principal Investigator: Gordon Trapnell
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Actuarial Research Corporation
 6928 Little River Turnpike, Suite E
 Annandale, VA 22003

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are three task orders awarded to date. Individual task orders are listed separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicare Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - Bearing Point

Project No: 500-00-0037
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to
 September 2005
Funding: \$1,000

Principal Investigator: Keith Cherry
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Bearing Point
 1676 International Drive
 McLean, VA 22102-4828

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicare R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity] awarded in September 2000. Six Task Orders have been awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - RAND

Project No: 500-00-0048
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Richard Wright
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: RAND Corporation
 1700 Main Street, P.O. Box 2138
 Santa Monica, CA 90407-2138

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Programs, the financing and delivery of health services, or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for

1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are no tasks awarded as of December 31, 2004. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - UI

Project No: 500-00-0045
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Erica Franklin
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Urban Institute
 2100 M Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20037

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract,

CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Programs, the financing and delivery of health services, or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are two (2) task orders awarded to date. Individual Task orders are awarded separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations - RTI

Project No: 500-00-0046
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Janet Mitchell
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Research Triangle Institute, (MA)
 411 Waverley Oaks Road, Suite 330
 Waltham, MA 02452-8414

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2000. There are two tasks awarded as of December 31, 2004. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

will use secondary data from CMS, Interstudy, the Area Resource File, and the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The study design is a two-stage analysis, and the unit of analysis is a county.

Status: Research on the dataset is underway. The grantee's final doctoral dissertation is projected to be completed in 2006. ■

Medication Analysis in Mexican-American Aged

Project No: 25-P-91467/06
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2001 to June 2004
Funding: \$216,250
Principal Investigator: David Espino
Award: Grant
Awardee: University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio
 7703 Floyd Curl Drive
 San Antonio, TX 78284

Description: The project's primary aim is to understand the extent of suboptimal medication use in elderly Mexican-Americans. The objectives are to: (1) estimate baseline prevalence and 2-year incidence of suboptimal prescription use; (2) identify baseline characteristics of subjects who report suboptimal prescribed medication use; (3) assess the association between suboptimal medication use and morbidity and mortality 2 and 4 years after the baseline survey; and (4) assess the association between suboptimal prescription drug use and use of health services 2 and 4 years after the baseline survey.

Status: The project was awarded under CMS's Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program and is completed. ■

Navigating the U.S. Healthcare System

Project No: 250-P-91910/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2003 to September 2005
Funding: \$249,544
Principal Investigator: DeAnne Karen Hilfinger Messias
Award: Grant
Awardee: University of South Carolina Research Foundation
 College of Nursing
 Columbia, SC 29208

Description: Access to healthcare that is culturally and linguistically acceptable is a

key health issue for Hispanic Americans. There are a number of deterrents for Hispanics to enroll in health insurance programs and access healthcare in their communities, including fear or distrust of governmental programs and the language barrier. The three main objectives of this project are to: (1) develop and implement a culturally appropriate English-as-a-second-language (ESL)-based educational intervention to improve access and utilization of the healthcare system by Limited English Proficiency (LEP) immigrants; (2) assess the short and long term-impact of an ESL-based educational intervention on levels of knowledge, perceived self-efficacy of language and communication skills, and satisfaction with and utilization of the healthcare system; and (3) monitor patterns of primary care and Emergency Department utilization and SCHIP enrollment by Hispanic children for a period of 12 months prior to and 6 months after the intervention.

Status: This project, under the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program, is in its second year of progress. ■

Preparation of Analytic Data for National, State and Age Accounts Data Analysis

Project No: CMS-03-01070
Project Officer: Anne Martin
Period: July 2003 to July 2005
Funding: \$199,999
Principal Investigator: Teri Deutsch
Award: GSA Order
Awardee: Fu Associates
 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 1400
 Arlington, VA 22201

Description: This project continues the tabulations of data by state, age, and by National Health Account type of service for use in the National, State, and Age Health Account estimation.

Status: This is a continuation of work performed under contract number 01-01137. ■

Preparation of Analytic Data for the National, State, and Age Health Accounts Data Analysis

Project No: CMS-01-01137
Project Officer: Anne Martin
Period: August 2001 to October 2003
Funding: \$160,000
Principal Investigator: Teri Deusch
Award: GSA Order
Awardee: Fu Associates
 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 1400
 Arlington, VA 22201

Description: The National Health Statistics Group in CMS's Office of the Actuary is responsible for maintaining the National Health Accounts (NHA) that form the structure for health care expenditure information for the United States. The accounts contain estimates by type of service (hospital care, physician services, prescription drugs, nursing homes, etc.) and by sources of funding (out-of-pocket, private health insurance, public programs, etc.). Similar estimates by type of services and for selected sources of funding are periodically produced by geographic area (State) and age cohort. This contract will supply tabulations from the National Claims History files for the National Health Accounts type of services by State (for National and State Health Account estimation), and by age and sex (for Age Account estimation). The contract will also supply tabulations from the Medicaid SMURF files by age and sex and by NHA-type-of-service (for Age Account estimation).

In addition, this contract will supply tabulations from the Adjusted Community Rating (ACR) files by State, and by NHA-type-of-service (for National and State Health Account estimation). Furthermore, this contract develops estimates of the migration factors that are used to convert State health care expenditures by type of service from a location-of-provider basis to a location of beneficiaries'-residence basis. The contract will supply tabulations from the National Claims History files by state and by NHA type of service. This contract also includes the development of service mix adjustments for hospital and physician spending by State for use in the State Health Account estimation.

Status: This is a follow-up award and expansion of work performed under contract 98-247. ■

Programming support for development of the SEER-Medicare database

Project No: 500-96-0516/09
Project Officer: Gerald Riley
Period: June 1999 to December 2005
Funding: \$592,229
Principal Investigator: Celia H. Dahlman
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: CHD Research Associates
 5515 Twin Knolls Road #322
 Columbia, MD 21045

Description: This project provides programming support for the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER)-Medicare database. The SEER-Medicare database has been in existence since 1991 and is the collaborative effort of the National Cancer Institute, the SEER registries, and CMS to create a large population-based source of information for cancer-related epidemiologic and health services research. The creation of the linked files requires matching persons reported to the SEER registries with a master file of Medicare enrollment to determine which persons appearing in the SEER data are entitled to Medicare. For persons found to be Medicare enrollees, their Medicare claims are extracted. The programming services are for the update and maintenance of the SEER-Medicare linked data, analyses related to the SEER-Medicare data, and analyses related to other Medicare Program studies.

Status: CHD Research Associates is currently updating the linkage to incorporate SEER cases diagnosed through 2002. The update will include cases diagnosed in 2000-2002 from four SEER expansion areas. ■

Programming Support for the Development of the SEER-Medicare Database to Examine the Hospice Benefit among Aged Medicare Beneficiaries

Project No: 500-96-0516/10
Project Officer: Arthur Meltzer
Period: September 1999 to November 2004
Funding: \$49,998
Principal Investigator: Celia H. Dahlman
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: CHD Research Associates
 5515 Twin Knolls Road #322
 Columbia, MD 21045

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - Medstat

Project No: 500-00-0050
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Claude Bowen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: MEDSTAT Group (DC - Maryland Ave.)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (Task Order) contract. Under this contract, CMS may award task orders for a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for one year, but the contract includes four 1-year options to extend for a total potential of five years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. As of December 31, 2004, one task as been awarded. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - MPR

Project No: 500-00-0047
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$0
Principal Investigator: Embry Howell
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Mathematica Policy Research, (DC)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are four task orders awarded as of December 31, 2004. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - NORC

Project No: 500-01-0019
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Steven Knable
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: NORC
 1155 East 60th St
 Chicago, IL 60637

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. As of December 31, 2004, there are no tasks awarded. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - C.N.A.

Project No: 500-00-0053
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Robert Murray
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: C.N.A. Corporation
 4825 Mark Center Drive
 Alexandria, VA 22311-1850

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Programs, the financing and delivery of health services, or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. There are two task orders awarded as of December 31, 2004. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - CHPR

Project No: 500-00-0052
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Robert Schlenker
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Center for Health Services Research, University of Colorado
 1355 South Colorado Boulevard,
 Suite 706
 Denver, CO 80222

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract.

Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of research and demonstration activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity] awarded in September 2000. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - Lewin

Project No: 500-00-0051
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Michael Fischman
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Lewin Group
 3130 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 800
 Falls Church, VA 22042

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract) awarded in September 2000. As of December 31, 2004, there are three task orders awarded. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Description: This project provides programming services for the development of an analytic file of hospice services using the updated Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER)-Medicare database. The SEER-Medicare database has been in existence since 1991 and is the collaborative effort of the National Cancer Institute, the SEER registries, and CMS to create a large population-based source of information for cancer-related epidemiologic and health services research. The creation of the linked files requires matching persons reported to the SEER registries with a master file of Medicare enrollment to determine which persons appearing in the SEER data are entitled to Medicare. Preliminary analyses of the use of hospice services among elderly beneficiaries diagnosed with cancer suggest some differences by age, race, income, and HMO status. This project expands preliminary analyses beyond colorectal and lung cancer cases diagnosed in 1992 and 1993 to include more cases from the updated Medicare-SEER data base. We will examine the sociodemographic determinants of hospice use among all decedent cancer patients, ages 65 and older, and expenditure patterns of users and nonusers of hospice care. Additionally, analyses will focus on differences among cancer patients enrolled in health maintenance organizations (HMO) and fee for service (FFS).

Status: This project is complete. ■

Programming Support for Utilization and Cost Studies Using the SEER-Medicare Database

Project No: 500-02-0006/04
Project Officer: Gerald Riley
Period: September 2004 to September 2008
Funding: \$199,987
Principal Investigator: Celia H. Dahlman
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: CHD Research Associates
 5515 Twin Knolls Road #322
 Columbia, MD 21045

Description: This project provides programming support for research projects involving the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER)-Medicare database. The SEER-Medicare database has been in existence since 1991 and is the collaborative effort of the National Cancer Institute (NCI), the SEER registries, and CMS to create a large population-based source of information for cancer-related epidemiologic and health services research. The linked database combines clinical data on incident cancer cases from SEER with Medicare claims and enrollment information.

Investigators from both CMS and NCI use SEER-Medicare for studies of patterns and costs of cancer care. The purpose of this contract is to provide programming support for such studies through the creation of analytic files and development of statistical programs.

CMS and NCI are both providing funds for this effort.

Status: The contract became effective in late 2004 and work is just getting underway. ■

Programming, Analytical and Data Presentation Support for Future of Medicare Related Issues

Project No: 500-96-0516/06
Project Officer: Mary Ellen Stahlman
Period: September 1998 to February 2005
Funding: \$117,424
Principal Investigator: Celia H. Dahlman
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)
Awardee: CHD Research Associates
 5515 Twin Knolls Road #322
 Columbia, MD 21045

Description: This task order is to provide programming, analysis, and data presentation services to support HCFA's work related to analysis of issues on the future of Medicare. This work included responding to requests of the National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare, as well as continuing analyses relevant to the Future of Medicare. In conducting this work, there is a need to access, prepare, and analyze Medicare Current Beneficiary Data and other HCFA data. This activity also involves documenting the findings as well as the preparation of presentation materials.

Status: The project has been completed. ■

Project Planning Templates and Development of XML Data Files

Project No: CMS-03-00330
Project Officer: James Beyer
Period: September 2003 to September 2005
Funding: \$40,000
Principal Investigator: Ed Ziv
Award: Simplified Acquisition
Awardee: Ventera Corp
 1600 International Drive, Suite 100
 McLean, VA 03756

Description: The Office of Research, Development, and Information (ORDI) at CMS is a diverse group that includes an assembly of researchers, analysts, and other administrative personnel whose main purpose is to compose and disseminate health-related data in layman's terms to the general public. Every year, ORDI compiles at least five major publications, e.g., the Health Care Financing Review, Statistical Supplement, and the CMS Data Compendium. These publications contain articles, statistics, graphs, and tables that describe a wide variety of health-related data. These publications are in the process of migrating to an .xml format for web posting and eventually for production and publication. Managing this migration while maintaining timely publication is a serious challenge in any case, and particularly so at static staffing levels.

One item of particular importance in this migration process involves a review of current and upcoming publication formats to identify new ways of presenting and disseminating the data themselves and their implications for the health services research community. This goal involves analyzing the post-production archives of the Statistical Supplement and related publications to identify opportunities for document conversion hubs, interactive data tools, Internet-based availability of both raw data and analyzed files, and graphic representation of technical data for non-technical audiences. Another item of great importance is reviewing the production process itself, to identify ways to improve data collection and presentation. Current processes for gathering data from legacy systems and into more up-to-date programs may not be keeping up with current opportunities in information technology. Identifying opportunities for greater efficiency and accuracy, including areas where human review is needed for quality assurance, is essential for keeping these publication schedules on-target as legacy-based programmers retire and are not replaced.

Status: The project is completed. The awardee has delivered project planning templates for each of ORDI's publications. They also delivered an automated tool that will use Statistical Supplement publication tables as input and convert them to Excel, XML, and PDF format. ■

Promoting Health in the African-American Community (PHAAC): Implementing Relaxation Techniques to Reduce Cardiovascular Risk Factors

Project No: 20-P-91884/04-01
Project Officer: Richard Bragg
Period: September 2003 to September 2005
Funding: \$249,341
Principal Investigator: Lorna Harris
Award: Grant
Awardee: North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University
 1601 E. Market Street
 Greensboro, NC 27411

Description: The purpose of this collaborative study is to document how the health of African-Americans can improve by using relaxation techniques to reduce stress, which in turn may reduce coronary heart disease (CHD) risk, to determine the effectiveness of the parish nurse education component. Three important objectives are to: (1) develop a training program for parish nurses that will enable them to provide an educational intervention program using relaxation, and stress management techniques to reduce cardiovascular disease risk for African-American church members in Guilford County; (2) implement a 12-week relaxation and stress management program for members of three churches located in the low-income urban communities of Guilford County; and (3) identify the health characteristics of African-American church members who are more likely to participate in a church-based relaxation and stress management program.

Status: This project, under the HBCU Health Services Research Grant Program, is in its second year of progress. ■

Research and Demonstrations Projects Searchable Database: Stage Two, Improvement, Enhancements, and Implementation

Project No: 500-00-0059/03
Project Officer: James Beyer
Period: September 2001 to September 2004
Funding: \$128,816
Principal Investigator: Kenitra Smith
Award: Task Order (ADP Support)

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - RTI

Project No: 500-01-0018
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: David Faucette
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Research Triangle Institute, (NC)
 PO Box 12194, 3040 Cornwallis Road
 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2194

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There is one task order awarded to date. Individual tasks are listed separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Westat

Project No: 500-01-0020
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: W. Sherman Edwards
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Westat Corporation
 1650 Research Boulevard
 Rockville, MD 20850

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey

design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for one year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There are two tasks awarded to date.

Individual Tasks are defined separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract -- Medicaid Research and Demonstrations (R&D) - Abt

Project No: 500-00-0049
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2000 to September 2005
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: David Kidder
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Abt Associates, Inc.
 55 Wheeler Street
 Cambridge, MA 02138-1168

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this Medicaid R&D specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve a range of R&D activities. These projects will relate to the Medicare, Medicaid, Child Health Programs, the financing and delivery of health services or the quality and appropriateness of health services and associated topics. The tasks can involve the development, analysis, implementation, and/or evaluation of health care financing research and demonstration studies/projects. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of 4-option years.

Status: There are two task orders awarded to date. Task orders are described individually. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Jing Xing

Project No: 500-01-0028
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Steward Wong
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Jing Xing Technologies
 PO Box 6655, 1312 Vincent Place
 McLean, VA 22106-6655

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - MPR

Project No: 500-01-0025
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Joseph Garrett
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Mathematica Policy Research, (DC)
 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 550
 Washington, DC 20024-2512

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and

conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There is one task awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - RAND

Project No: 500-01-0024
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Donna Farley
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: RAND Corporation
 1700 Main Street, P.O. Box 2138
 Santa Monica, CA 90407-2138

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Awardee: IQ Solutions, Inc.
 11300 Rockville Pike, Suite 801
 Rockville, MD 20852

Description: This task order continues the work of earlier efforts toward modernizing the results of CMS research efforts. A previous task helped to automate and simplify the publication of a directory of all active research projects at CMS; this task turns that information into a searchable, web-friendly database.

These efforts involve a careful beta test of the revised database, revision as dictated by this test, retesting, and secondary revision, preparation for access through public webpages, and the addition of documents and references as appropriate.

Status: The first version of the revised database structure was completed in mid-November 2002 and a second, more functional version delivered in late December for testing. The second version was developed based on comments from use of the initial/first version and was displayed to a larger group of CMS staff in late December. This second version was placed in an internal environment for staff testing. Due to functional issues and other technical difficulties with the initial deliverable, the software had to be returned to the contractor to recode the whole application. The whole process was redone and delivered in August of 2004. The Web Search Tool has been implemented on CMS's intranet site and is slated to be released onto the internet site very soon. The project is now completed. ■

Research Data Assistance Center (ResDAC) - II

Project No: 500-01-0043
Project Officer: Spike Duzor
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$5,167,259
Principal Investigator: Marshall McBean
Award: Contract
Awardee: University of Minnesota, School of Public Health, Division of Health Services Research and Policy, Mail Code Number 99
 420 Delaware Street SE, D 355
 Mayo Building
 Minneapolis, MN 55455

Description: This project assists researchers who are not familiar with the data available at CMS. It describes the data and helps them with the process of gaining an approved Data Use Agreement. It also conducts training classes for these new-to-CMS researchers. This

project will provide: technical on-site analytic support and training in accessing administrative and claims databases, linking databases, and creating analytic databases; training modules for data access and use by external organizations/researchers; and consultative and data support functions for governmental and non-governmental research.

Status: This is a follow-on award from a competitive procurement, to the incumbent contractor. It will be incrementally funded over its life. Thus, this award continues the work of the first ResDAC contract, 500-96-0023. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Abt

Project No: 500-01-0021
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: David Kidder
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Abt Associates, Inc.
 55 Wheeler Street
 Cambridge, MA 02138-1168

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There is one task awarded to date. Individual tasks are described separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - AIR

Project No: 500-01-0023
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Diane Pelavin
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: American Institute for Research
 3333 K Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20007-3541

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There are no tasks awarded to date ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Analytical Sci

Project No: 500-01-0029
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Donald Holzworth
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Analytical Science
 2605 Meridan Pkwy, Suite 200
 Durham, NC 27713

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and

conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Anasys

Project No: 500-01-0026
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Joshua Park
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: ANASYS
 10450 Shaker Drive, Suite 113
 Columbia, MD 21046

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. There are no tasks awarded to date. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - ARC

Project No: 500-01-0033
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: C. William Wrightson
 Susan Aldrich
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Actuarial Research Corporation
 6928 Little River Turnpike, Suite E
 Annandale, VA 22003

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: performing work with respect to data acquisition, data manipulation, data analysis as well as the development of data collection and data analysis plans. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. As of December 31, 2004, there is one task order awarded. Individual task orders are awarded separately. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Gallup

Project No: 500-01-0022
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Max Larsen
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: The Gallup Organization,
 Government Division
 901 F Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20004

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and

conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. As of December 31, 2004, there are no tasks awarded. ■

Research, Analysis, Demonstration, and Survey Task Order Contract - Hope

Project No: 500-01-0017
Project Officer: Dave Barbato
Period: September 2001 to September 2006
Funding: \$1,000
Principal Investigator: Marc Berk
Award: Task Order Contract, Base
Awardee: Project Hope, Center for Health Affairs
 7500 Old Georgetown Rd, Suite 600
 Bethesda, MD 20814

Description: This is the base award of an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task order contract. Under this specialty area contract, CMS may award task orders for projects that involve: general survey design and planning; data collection and methodological research; designing and pilot testing questionnaires and other kinds of data collection instruments; and conducting general population survey(s) of all kinds including surveys of subsets of the general population such as the elderly, Medicare and Medicaid recipients (dual eligible beneficiaries), uninsured, and low-income families with small children. The base award was for 1-year with a maximum of four option years.

Status: This is the base task order contract [indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contract] awarded in September 2001. As of December 31, 2004, there are no tasks awarded. ■